

Today

Woman's Day—
Justice At Last—
Advice to Representatives—
Respect Your Mothers.

The House will today vote on the question of political slavery or political freedom for women.

The nation will observe with interest Congressmen that vote for slavery, vote to classify women with idiots and children unable to think.

A vote against woman suffrage is a vote to destroy the Democratic party.

The President warmly supported woman suffrage in the State of New York—and suffrage carried the State.

The President, asked for his advice by Congress, earnestly advises passing the Federal amendment for woman suffrage. AND IT WILL PASS unless many Democrats consider continuation of the political slavery of woman more desirable than the preservation of their own party.

On next election day there will be a million American men in Europe.

We ask the House of Representatives if it would not be a good idea to give the vote to the women that these men have left behind them?

Is not the mother of a soldier entitled to vote in her son's absence?

Are not the million women that have sent men abroad good enough Americans to be trusted with a share in Government?

Representatives will vote for or against those women today.

A real Democrat, in spite of his temporary admiration for Theodore Roosevelt, is Victor Murdock. Here is his brief statement about woman suffrage, and the kind of man that will vote against it:

"The man who votes against the amendment today is absolutely unworthy of the present and is bound to the past."

To be consistent, he ought also to vote appropriations for boys and arrows and chariots for the army—galley for the navy, and bleeding cups for the medical corps.

The past is dead, and so are its problems. The present is big and thrilling and molten.

Whatever it poured out of the cauldron of war for the world, woman will shape the mold—the future rules and regulations of organized society—equally with man.

"She now has and has long had the responsibilities of government."

"Of course she should have its privileges. This is the call of the hour. It sounds round the world. England has heard it, and Russia."

"It is inconceivable that any one claiming to think in terms of this century in this, the first democracy of the world, should turn a deaf ear to it."

"Indeed, opposition to the amendment today is a species of indefensible perversity."

"VICTOR MURDOCK."

Is it necessary to slander the army in order to carry on the work of prohibition?

The Methodist branch of the Anti-Saloon League describes soldiers of this country, now in Europe, as drunken, afflicted with vile disease, filling the prisons, etc. Pleasant information for mothers and fathers sent out under the seal of the powerful political Anti-Saloon League.

A pity that Democrats and Republicans in office, to the last man so far as we have observed, are in such terror of this blackmailing political agency, afraid even to defend the soldiers of the United States against vile slander.

With Woodrow Wilson and Lloyd George to the West, knowing exactly what they want, the Bolsheviks to the East changing their minds every five minutes, the Prussians at home howling for food, the Hohenzollern family is not enjoying the picnic that was supposed to start with the invasion of Belgium.

Sympathize with that Kaiser, whose celestial partner seems to be leaving him in the lurch. And if you have any sympathy left over, pass it along to the unspeakable Turk, who just at present is a little more unspeakable than ever.

Three hundred thousand brigands are enjoying themselves in Turkey. These intelligent sons of Mohammed have deserted from the army, taking their weapons with them, and are starting little internal wars for their own account.

The partners of Allah, and the other celestial one, find that it is sometimes easier to start something than to stop it.

"That gentleman of the West, our own citizen, Roosevelt, is not ashamed to put the Bible under his arm and go to church."—Billy Sunday.

That should cause considerable exaltation and complacency up above. We can imagine Job nudging Isaiah, saying: "Look! See what he has under his arm. My book and your book. He is not ashamed to be seen with it. This is a great day for us."

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FRANCE TO DEMAND SAME PEACE TERMS AS U. S.

PRESIDENT LONG READY TO APPROVE AMENDMENT

Decided He Would Indorse National Woman Suffrage Back in November When Leaders Called on Him.

By DAVID LAWRENCE.
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President Wilson chose the psychological moment to express his support of the Federal amendment for woman suffrage—and thereby hangs a tale. For months a group of militant suffragettes have picketed the White House in an effort to influence Mr. Wilson to do what he did last night. But long before they began to see the error of their way—which was just before Thanksgiving—when they diverted their energies from attacks on the President to a raid on members of Congress, Mr. Wilson had virtually made up his mind that when the right moment arrived for an expression of opinion, he would come out for the Federal amendment. This is not an ex post facto explanation of his course, but it can now be disclosed that when Mr. Anna Howard Shaw, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt and other leaders of the National American Woman Suffrage Association called on the President, immediately after suffrage won its victory in New York State, he showed a sympathy with their advocacy of the Federal amendment that gave them faith in his ultimate announcement of that fact.

Explained to Him.
The leaders of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, in contrast to the mistaken tactics of the National Woman's Party, sat down with the President and explained the difficulties of State action, explained how Indiana, for example, offered a typical case of the practical impossibility of getting the State constitution amended for many years, and thus depriving the women of that State of a chance to vote. Mr. Wilson was deeply impressed. He did not think, however, that an expression from him at the time would be wise. He preferred to be left to consider the question further, and in this Mr. Wilson was wise. Any announcement from him would have been so confused with the action of the pickets as to develop the idea that he had merely issued a statement to get rid of the question, and that he did not really feel deeply on the matter.

Went Forth Jubilant.
The National American Woman Suffrage Association's leaders went forth from the White House on that occasion very jubilant, but they kept their secret. They did not go out and argue that Mr. Wilson secretly favored the Federal amendment, as the National Woman's Party tactlessly did. They worked steadily and without losing confidence or hope that Mr. Wilson would do whatever he could for them at his own convenience and when he believed it would do suffrage most good.

On every side, however, the suffrage workers were confronted with the opposition of Southern Democrats, many of whom said that if the President favored it, they would vote for it, and their constituencies would justify the action. In other words, with Mr. Wilson as the leader in world democracy, his decision in favor of suffrage at this time would carry weight. The women leaders struggled hard against Southern opposition. They carried on their campaign in a dignified way—they used the advertising columns of the newspapers and paid their own money to get their case before the public. They finally succeeded to the members of Congress who were hesitant and non-committal that if they sought Mr. Wilson's advice, the President would give it. Still they had no definite promise.
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YESTERDAY
The Washington Times
GAINED
11,493 Lines of Advertising (41 Cols.)
Over the Corresponding Day (Jan. 10) Last Year.

EDGAR D. SHAW,
Publisher.

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THE U-BOAT MOUNTINGS



THE SPREADING ANTI-IMPERIALISM



ON TO ARMAGEDDON!

REQUA NAMED OIL ADMINISTRATOR BY GARFIELD TODAY

Mark L. Requa, of San Francisco, has been selected by Fuel Administrator Garfield to be oil administrator today, and a formal statement to that effect will be issued probably this afternoon by Dr. Garfield, together with an outline of his plans for taking over control of the oil industry of the country.

Y. W. C. A. WOULD BUILD MODEL HOME FOR GIRLS

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Adoption of a specialized scheme of housing for the women workers at military training camps and cantonments and in industrial centers, was urged upon Secretary of War Baker in a letter made public here by Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., representing the housing committee of the war work council of the Young Women's Christian Association.

FAIR, BUT NO WARMER, SAYS WEATHER BUREAU

Fair weather and continued cold is promised by the Weather Bureau for Washington today and tomorrow, so keep the gulls out.

The official forecast is: "Fair tonight and tomorrow. Low temperature tonight about 20 degrees above zero."

PRESIDENT'S PLEA VOTE ON SUFFRAGE AT 5:30 O'CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON

President Wilson's indorsement of passage of the national suffrage issue is contained in the brief message made public by Congressmen after an interview with the Executive.

GERMANY CLOSING BORDERS MEANS TROOP TRANSFERS

BERNE, Jan. 10.—Closing of the German-Swiss and German-Holland frontiers for a month, just as announced by the Germans, was taken today to presage extensive troop transfers. Presumably it means a switch of Teutonic forces from the Italian to the west front.

JUBILANT AT CAPTURE OF Foe's DYE RECIPES

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The most important event in the economic war is what the London Daily Mail today called the capture from the Germans of 257 secret recipes for German dyes which had been offered the government. The formulae, it was stated, "will shatter the German dye monopoly."

FIRE WRECKS ASYLUM, ALL PATIENTS ESCAPE

MIDDLETON, Conn., Jan. 10.—Fire of unknown origin early today almost completely destroyed the main building of the Connecticut Hospital for the Insane here. Fire apparatus had to be summoned from Hartford before the blaze was placed under control.

CANDIDATE OUT TO SUCCEED McFADDEN

TUNKHANNOCK, Pa., Jan. 10.—E. B. Farr, district attorney of Wyoming county, has announced himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress in the Fourteenth district, which is now represented by L. T. McFadden, of Canton, who is mentioned as a candidate for governor.

All History Surpassed in U. S. Army Record

"No Army of similar size in the history of the World has ever been raised, equipped or trained so quickly, and the health record is beyond comparison the best in our military history."

Sec. Baker in statement made today to Senate Military Affairs Committee
Full Text of Secretary Baker's Statement on Page 3.

U. S. RIFLES BEST MADE, BAKER SAYS AT INQUIRY

Secretary Takes Stand and Vigorously Defends War Department After Reading Statement.

Puffing calmly on a long, thin cigar, Secretary of War Baker today vigorously defended the activities of the War Department under the grilling of Senate military investigators.

After reading an extended statement on the work of the department, the Secretary leaned back, drew a cigar from his pocket, and asked whether the several ladies present objected to smoking.

Assured that they did not, he "lit up."

Senator Chamberlain began questioning the Secretary on the methods of the Ordnance Bureau.

Takes Up Rifles.
Baker replied by taking up the subject of rifles.

"The rifle adopted for the American army is without doubt the best in the world. The Springfield rifle as modified, everybody agrees, is the best in the world."

Senator Weeks broke in, declaring the statement that the Springfield rifle is the best "is very far from the fact."

"Well, of course, I can't talk to everybody in the world," said Baker. "But everybody to whom I have talked has agreed about the rifle."

Chamberlain said one of the serious criticisms against the Ordnance Department was that it abandoned the Springfield, and didn't adopt the British Enfield, which American factories were making in large quantities.

Soldiers Rifle-less.
"This criticism," said Chamberlain, "grows out of the fact that men in cantonments haven't got rifles yet."

Baker declared every man in a cantonment who ought to have a rifle has one.

"I think you're wrong about that," said Chamberlain. "General Crozier (Continued on Page 3, Column 6.)"

LOUIS BROWNLOW REAPPOINTED TO D. C. COMMISSION

District Commissioners Louis Brownlow was reappointed today by President Wilson.

The President sent the nomination of Mr. Brownlow to the Senate this afternoon.

The reappointment of Mr. Brownlow is a recognition of what the President regards as his excellent service as a member of the District Commission.

The nomination will be referred to the Senate District Committee. No opposition is expected on Mr. Brownlow's confirmation.

RAINBOW PILL SELLER SENTENCED TO PRISON

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—William Llewellyn Owen, who did a mail business in many different kinds and colors of proprietary pills under the name of "Professor Owen, Inc.," was sent to Atlanta penitentiary for a year and a day by Judge Thomas, in the Federal court. He pleaded guilty to an indictment charging use of the mails to defraud. Owen in 1913 was prosecuted for selling "love powders."

Billy's Prayer

That is as much as the house stenographers could get. He talked so fast that nobody on earth could keep up with him.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we thank Thee and rejoice that through faith in Thee and Thy Word this Government was built upon that foundation.

We thank Thee that the compact signed in the cabin of the Mayflower by our ancestors was for democracy, liberty, freedom, and the right to worship Thee according to the dictates of our own consciences.

We thank Thee that as a nation we have the courage to proclaim to the world our continued belief in Thee, stamping on our coins the inscription, "In God We Trust."

We thank Thee that we are Americans and live beneath the protecting folds of the Stars and Stripes. We thank Thee that Thou canst look over the battlements of glory on our land and see that there is not one stain on any star or stripe in Old Glory.

We thank Thee for our happy homes. We thank Thee for our wives and our sweet little children. We thank Thee for the fruitful green and beautiful landscape. We thank Thee that as a nation we have never gone so far from Thy hand as to have lost Thy blessing.

We pray Thee that Thou wilt forgive our transgressions and blot out our iniquities.

Thou knowest, O Lord, that we are in a life and death struggle with one of the most infamous, vile, cruel, seditious, bloodthirsty, sensual, and vicious nations that ever disgraced the pages of history.

Thou knowest that Germany has drawn from the eyes of mankind enough tears to make another sea; that she has drawn blood enough to reddens every wave of that sea; that she has drawn enough groans and shrieks from the hearts of men, women, and children to make another mountain.

We pray Thee that Thou wilt have Thy mighty arm and strike that great pack off from the wolfish Hunns whose anger drip with blood and gore.

We pray Thee that the stars in their courses and the winds and the waves may fight against them.

We pray Thee that Thou wilt bless our brave President, and give him strength of mind and body and courage of heart for his arduous duties in these sorrow-laden, staggering days.

We pray Thee to bless the Secretary of State, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy—and bless, we pray Thee, the naval strategy board.

Bless, we pray Thee, Lord, the general at the head of our party. Bless the boys across the sea, who are in France, and bless those protecting our transports, loaded to the water's edge with men and munitions.

"Bless our boys at home who are in the cantonments."

"Bless, we pray Thee, the Senate and the House of Representatives, and give them wisdom and strength, for they seem to have come into the kingdom for such a time as this. And Lord, may every man, woman and child, from Maine to California, and Minnesota to Louisiana, stand up to the last ditch and endure until final victory shall come."

"Bless our allies and may victory be ours."

"And in Your own time, and in Your own way, we pray Thee that Thou wilt release the white-winged dove of peace until it shall dispel the storm clouds that hang lowering over this sin-cursed, blood-soaked and sorrowing world, and when it is all over, we will uncover our heads and lift our faces to the heavens and sing with a new meaning, 'My country, 'tis of Thee, sweet land of liberty, of Thee I sing.'"

"And the praise shall be to Thee forever. Through Jesus Christ, Amen."

HOUSE YELLS HEARTY APPROVAL AS BILLY SUNDAY ENDS PRAYER

For the first time in history the House applauded, yelled, and clapped at the conclusion of a prayer opening the day's session of the lower body today.

Billy Sunday asked the invocation in place of the regular House chaplain, and asked it in his own inimitable, peppery, vitriolic, virile vigorous, sensational, and snappy style. Contrary to expectation, he did not ask for the success of the suffrage

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PICHON TO ANNOUNCE WAR AIMS AT ONCE

Chamber of Deputies Pledged to Support Restitution of Alsace-Lorraine and Support for Armies.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—A rumor was current on the floor of the Stock Exchange this afternoon that Germany has asked Sweden to mediate for peace.

PARIS, Jan. 10.—Minister of Foreign Affairs Pichon in this afternoon or tomorrow will speak in the Chamber of Deputies, outlining France's war aims, according to authoritative information today.

It was stated the foreign minister would follow exactly the lines of Premier Lloyd George, of England, and President Wilson, of America, in baring to the whole world the exact aims which France has in continuing the war, and the only terms on which she can consider peace.

Pledges Support.
At the opening of the session of the chamber of deputies today, Deputy Deschanel, speaking, he said, in the name of the deputies, pledged that the chamber would support the restitution of Alsace-Lorraine and sustain the armies in the field to this end.

Amid a storm of applause he paid eloquent tribute to President Wilson's speech.

"Glory to all the allied nations," Deschanel declared. "Glory especially to the United States, which, from Washington to Lincoln to Wilson, has added new light in universal morale, as she has added new stars to her flag."

"Victorious France will not have a peace of a vanquished people; she will not recede; she will oppose her invaders with an indelible heart—a heart inflamed with the one passion that France is to save the supreme good of our fatherland by justice."

REPORT THAT RUSSIA AND BULGARIA HAVE MADE SEPARATE PEACE

BERNE, Jan. 10.—The newspaper Der Bund declared today that a separate peace between Russia and Bulgaria had been formally signed.

The announcement was contained in quotations from a speech delivered to the Bulgarian Sobranje by Premier Radoslavoff. He read a telegram from Brest-Litovsk declaring:

"The war between Russia and Bulgaria ceases. Economic relations will be resumed. Russia recognizes Bulgaria's right to nominate a delegate on the international Danube commission."

Premier Radoslavoff commented that this was "the first peace concluded in the war, with Bulgaria's allies consenting."

Dispatches here also said a minister had been named by Bulgaria to proceed at once to Petrograd.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 10.—Ukrainia and Russia have joined hands in the peace negotiations with Germany.

Dispatches from Brest-Litovsk today expressed firm conviction that, with a united front shown by all Russian delegates, the Russian plan for transfer of peace negotiations to neutral soil would be forced upon the Germans.

The message from Brest-Litovsk which gave this news carried the report:

"One morning—Russian Christmas Day—we crossed the trenches. Our soldiers declared they were ready to support our peace efforts at all costs, but they added:

"Remember: we want peace—but not a peace at any price."

"Trotzky replied to them: 'We will not bend our head to'